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**Title: Apparatus And Method For Synchronizing Visual/Audible Alarm  
Units In An Alarm System**

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

This response is submitted to address the Office Action dated June 15,  
2004 (Paper No. 2).

**REMARKS**

In view of the following discussion, the Applicants submit that none of the claims now pending in the application is obvious under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. Thus, the Applicants believe that all of these claims are now in allowable form.

**I. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 1-22 UNDER THE DOCTRINE OF  
OBVIOUSNESS-TYPE DOUBLE PATENTING.**

The Examiner rejected claims 1-22 in Paragraphs 1-2 in the Office Action under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting.

Responsive to the Examiner, Applicants submit the enclosed terminal disclaimer to address the obviousness-type double patenting rejection. As such, Applicants now submit that claims 1-22 are now in allowable form.